

PUNCH MAN

STORY BY ONE
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PUNCH 166:
THE AWAKENING OF THE GODS

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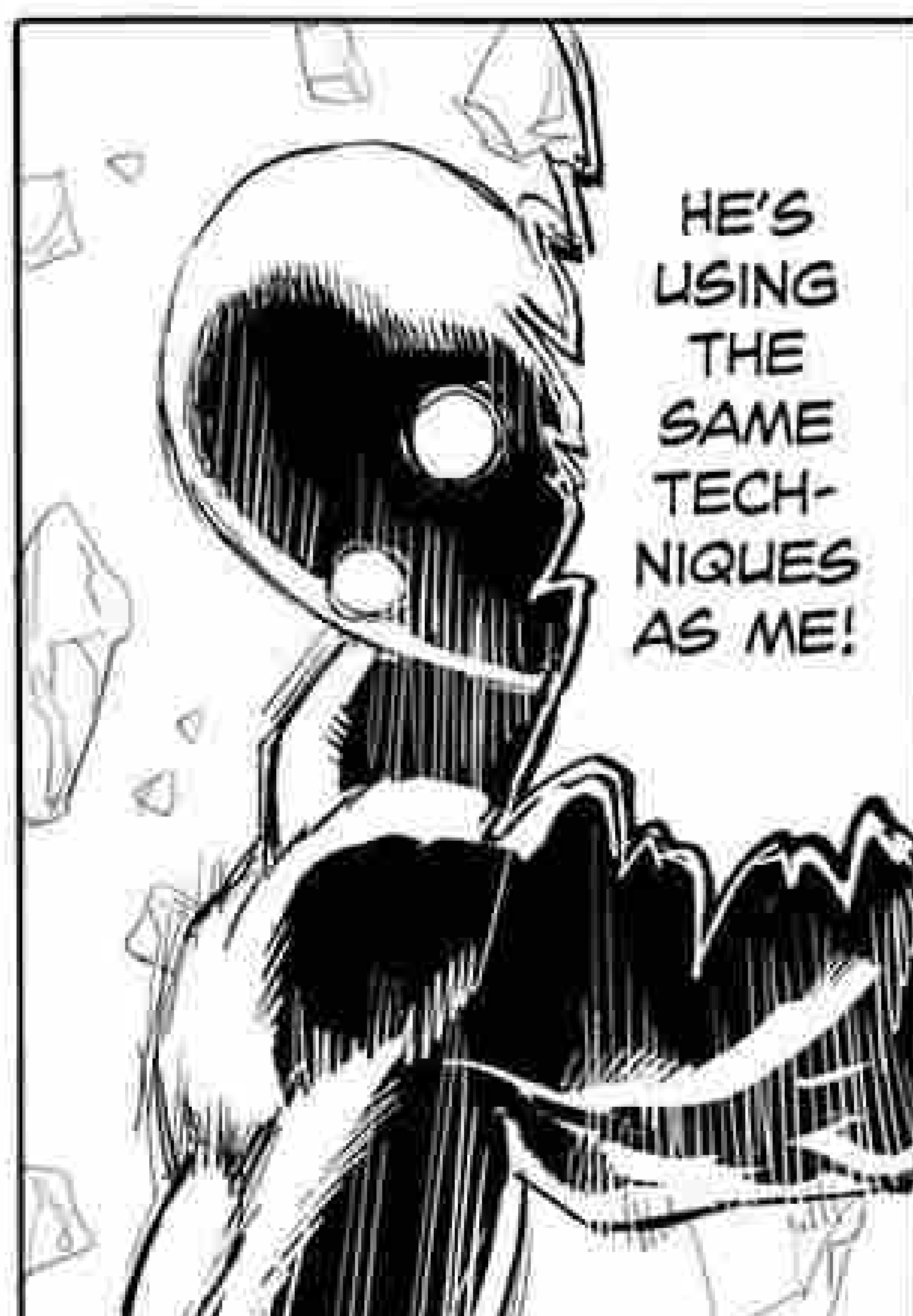








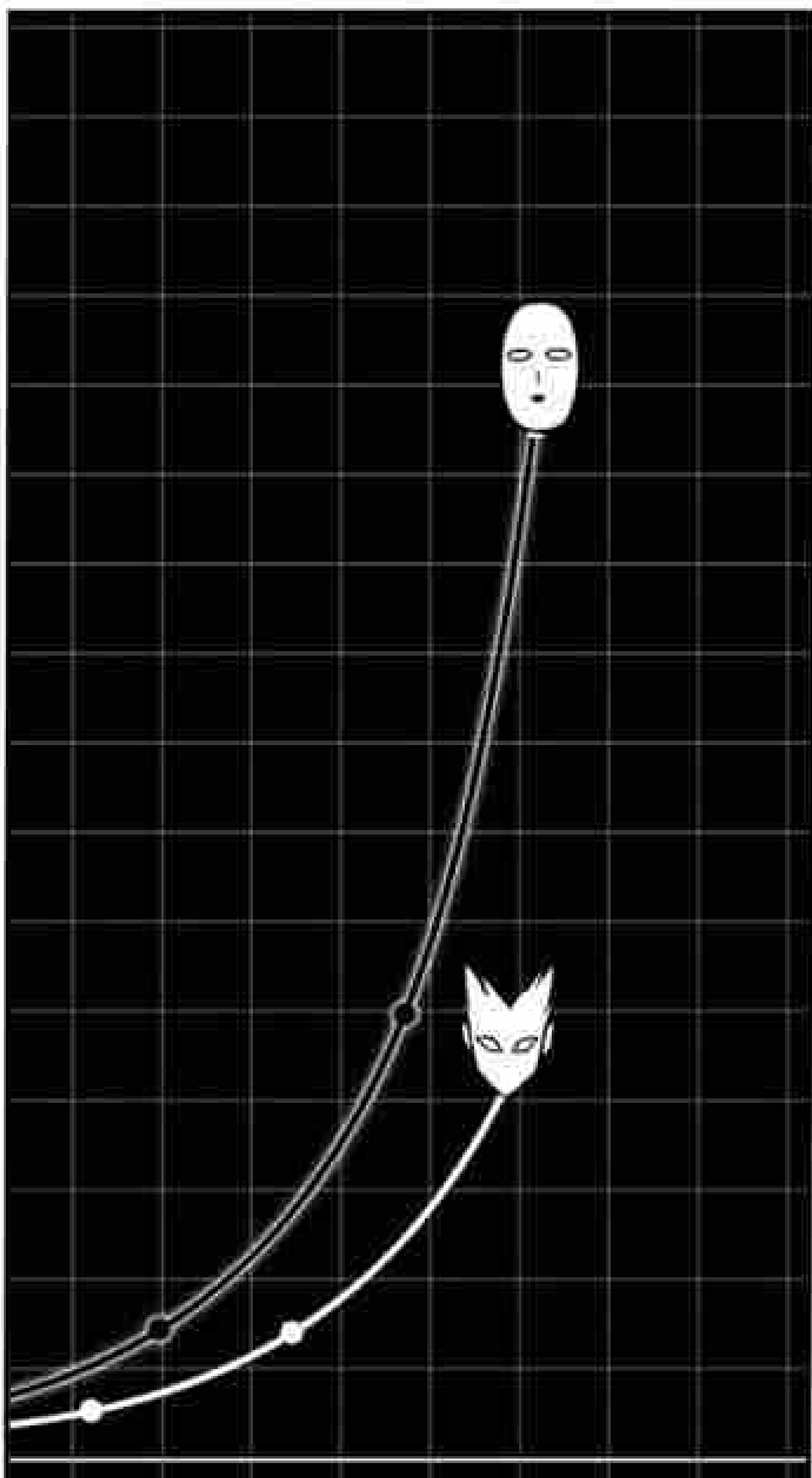
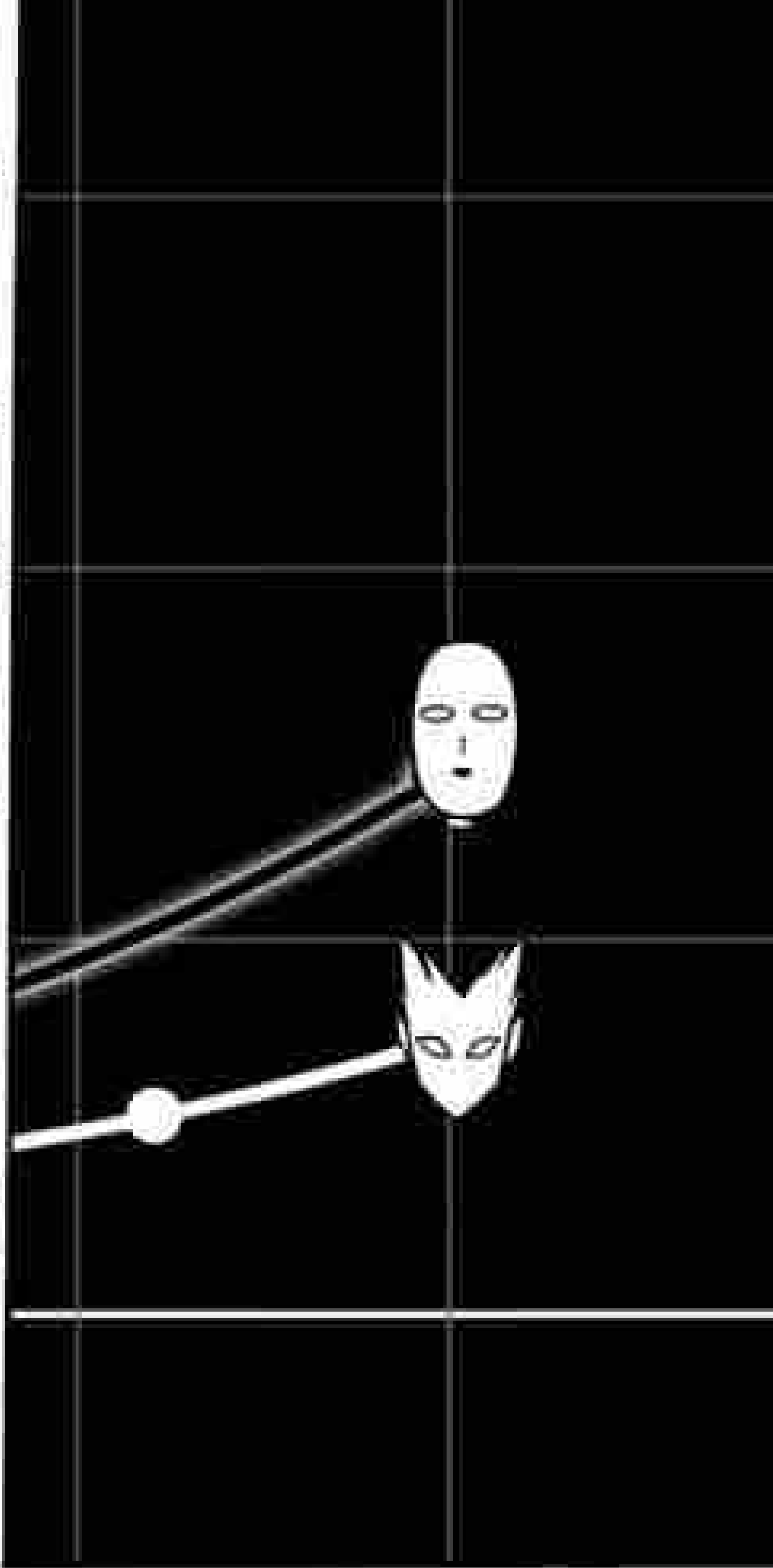
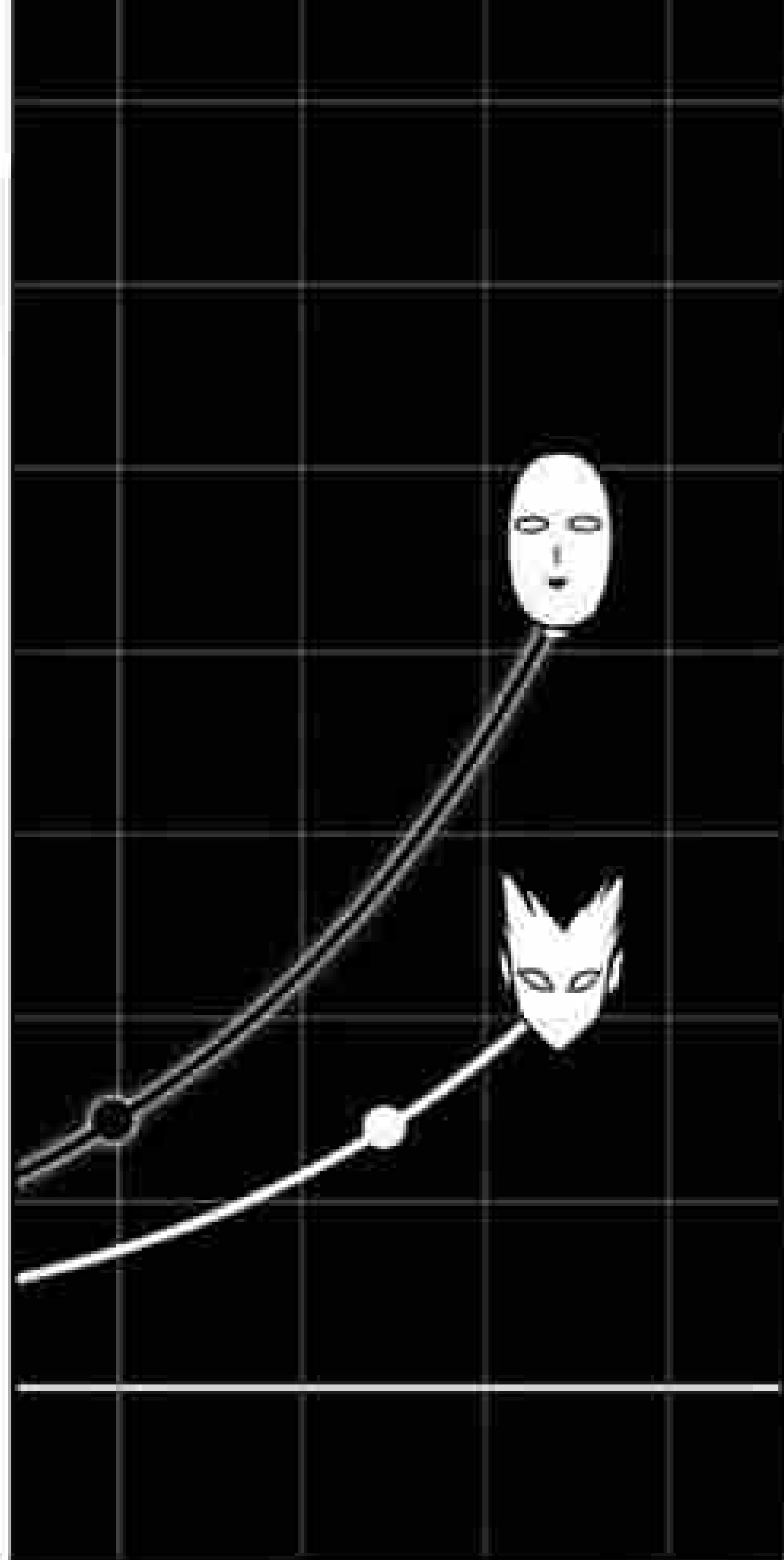












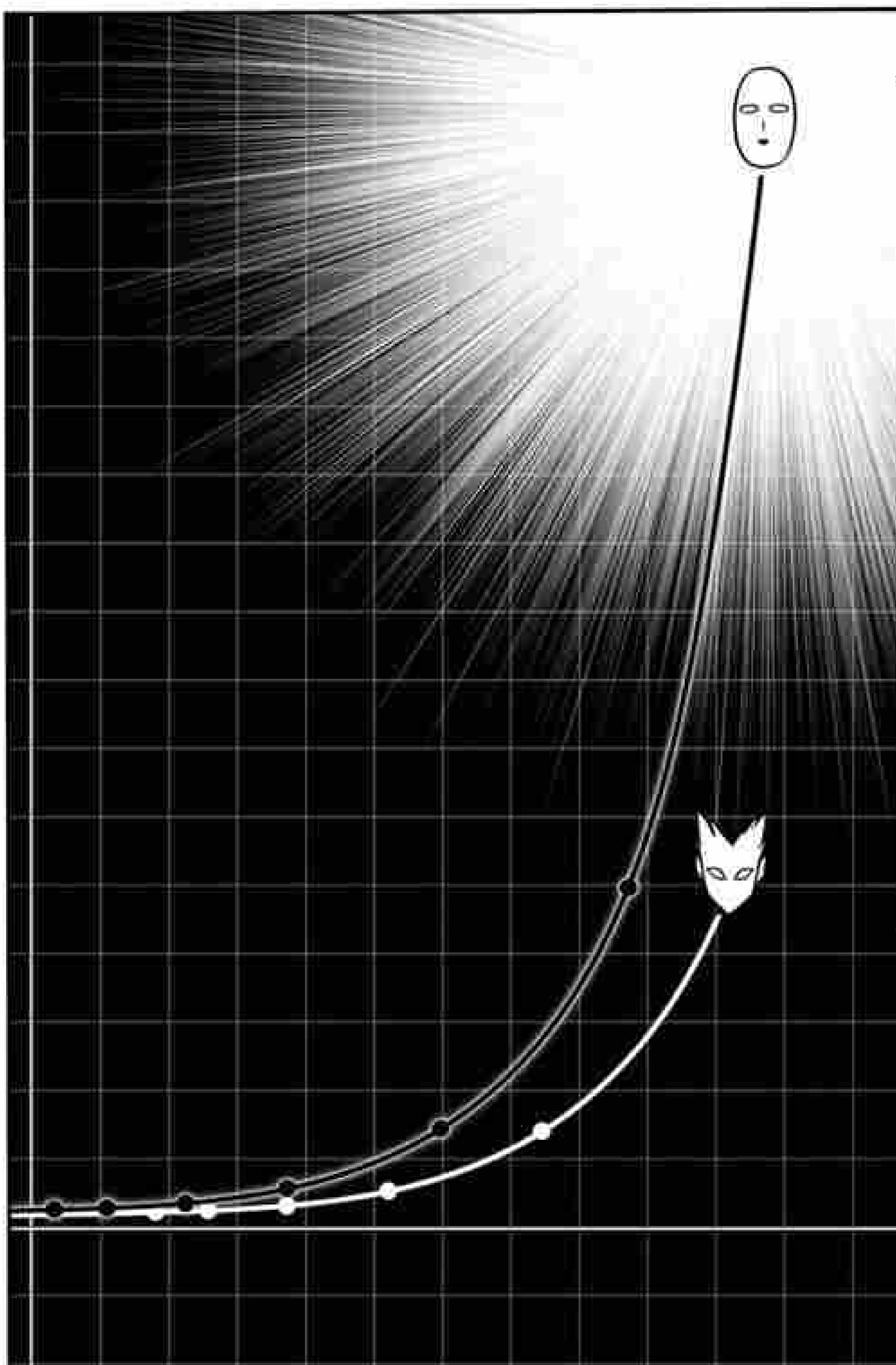


Saitama was
continuing
to grow.

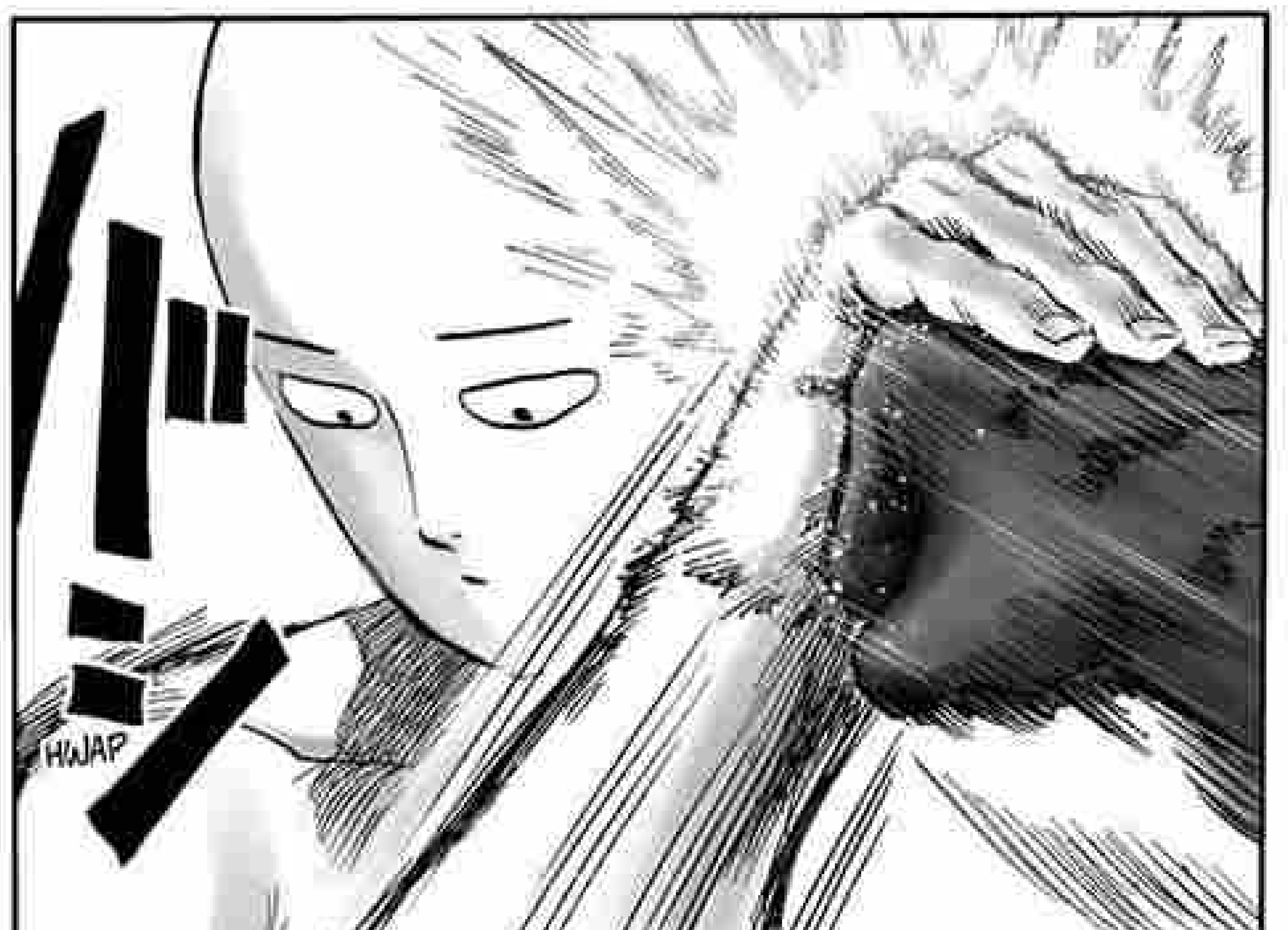
However,
due to
intense
emotion...



Until now,
no one had
equaled him
in strength
or noticed
his growth.



...his
abilities
were rising
exponentially.





...no one existed who could even fathom...



...his new heights of strength.



AOO!







...
SNEEZE





HE'S AN
ANIMAL WHO
SHOULDN'T
BE LOOSE
ON EARTH!



BUT SO
AM I!

HEH!

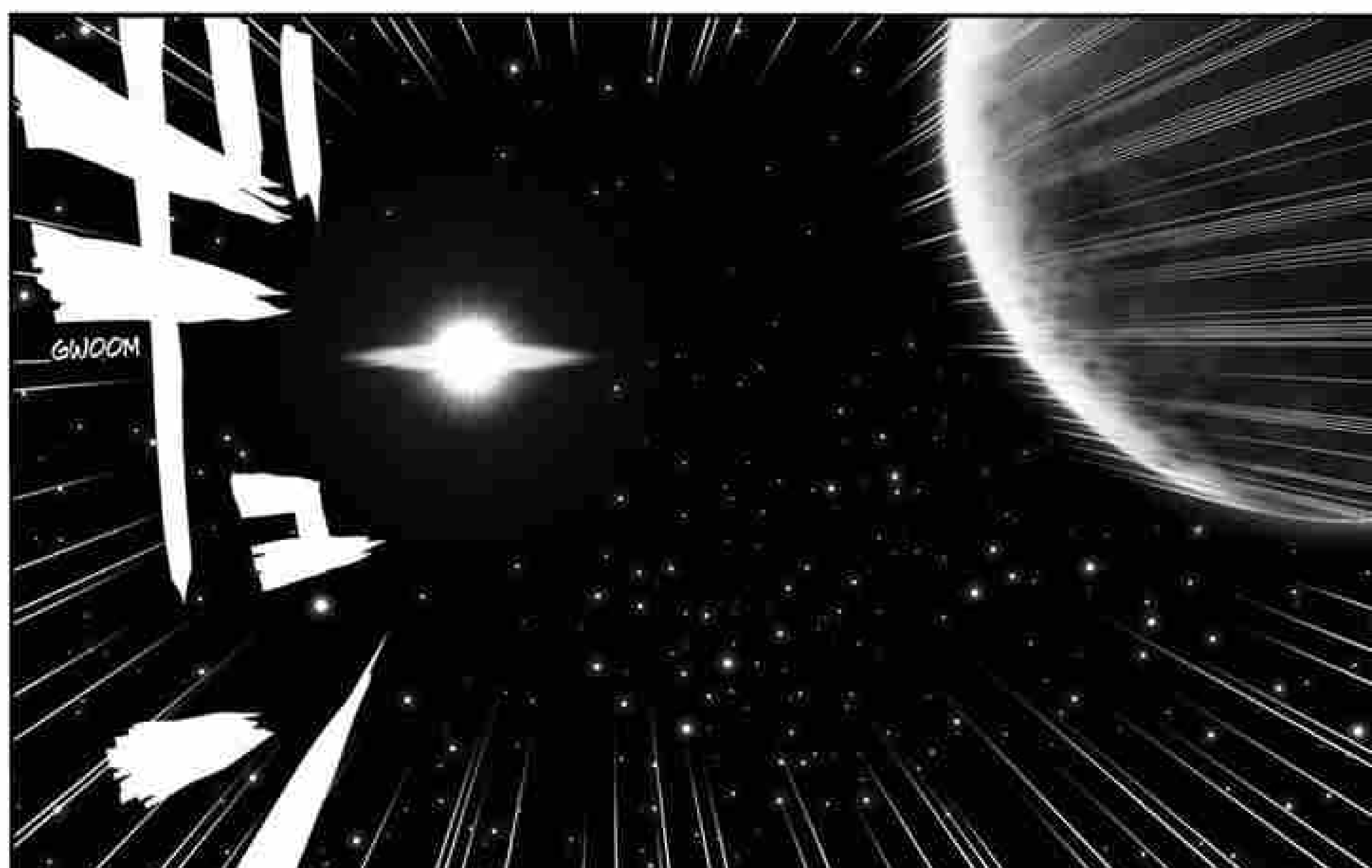
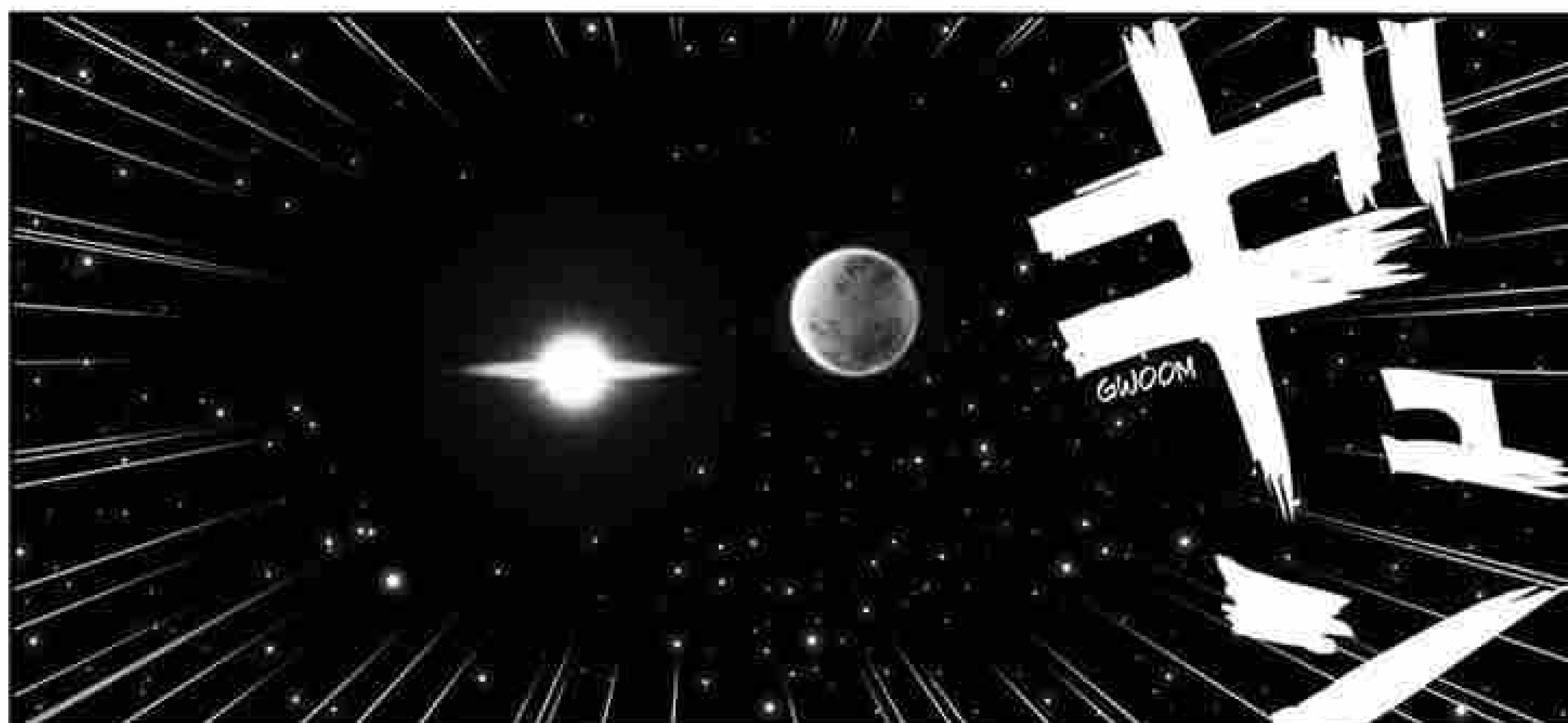


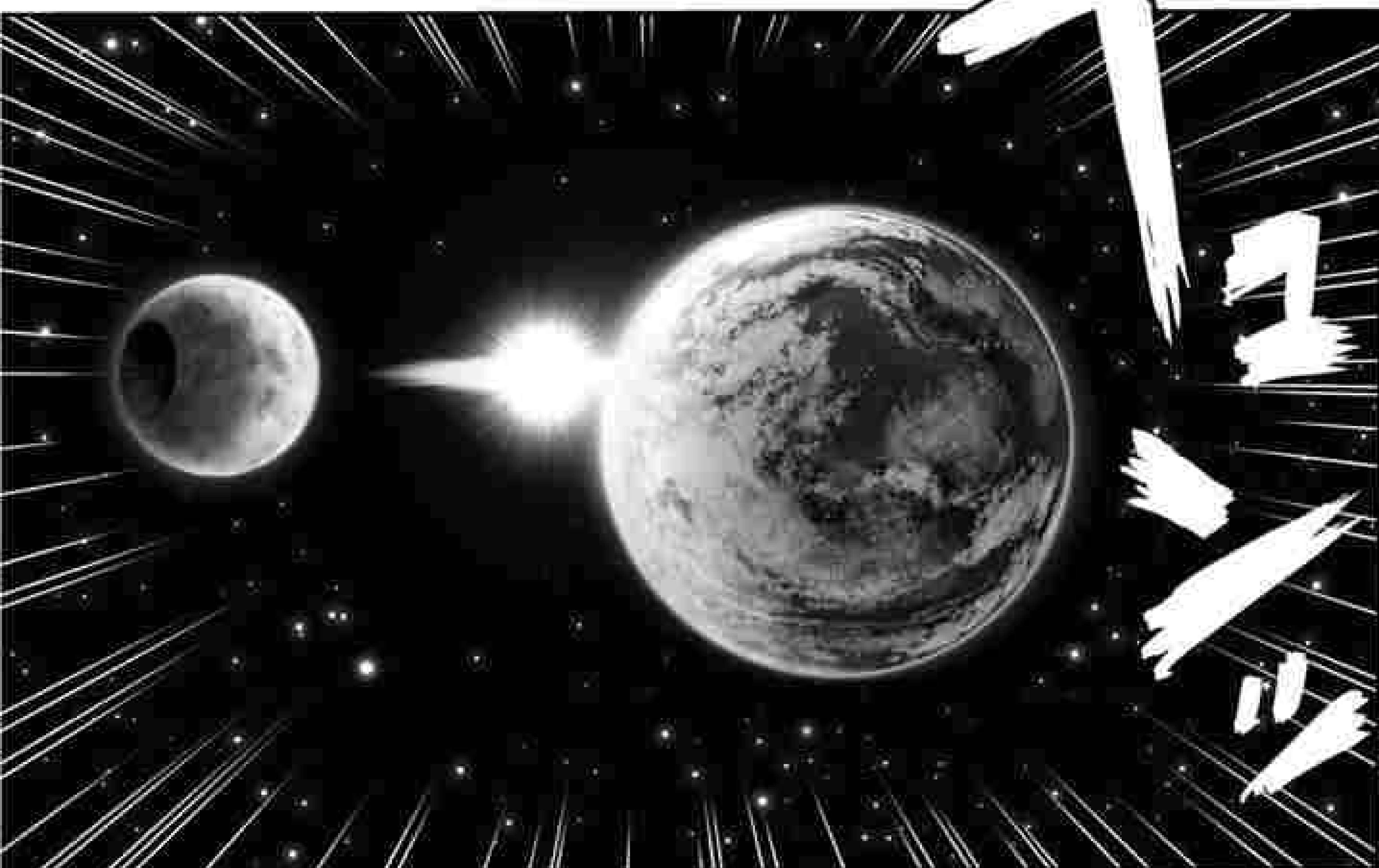
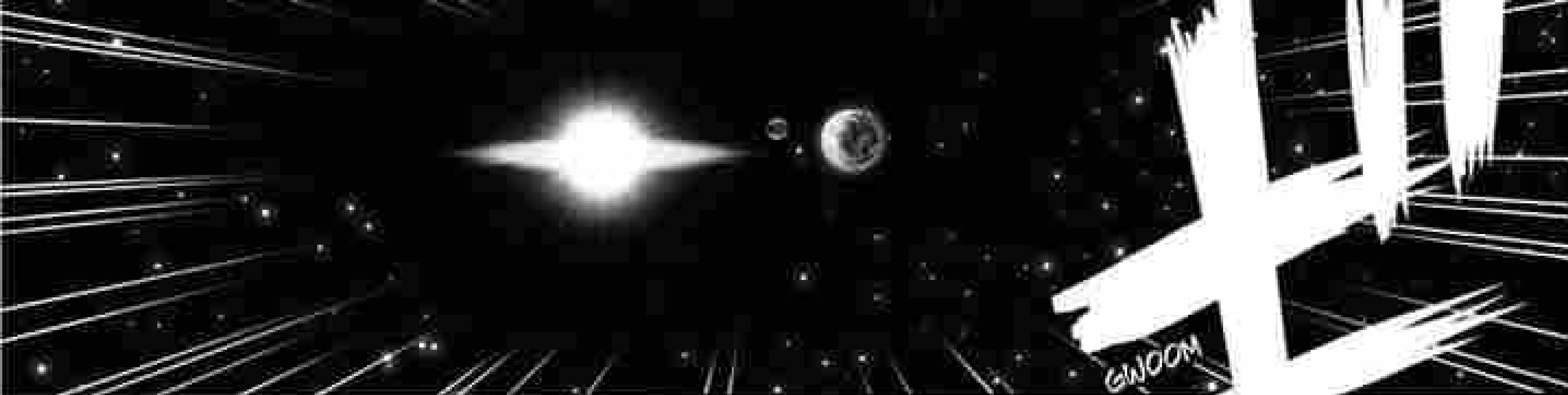
...THE
SUN?!

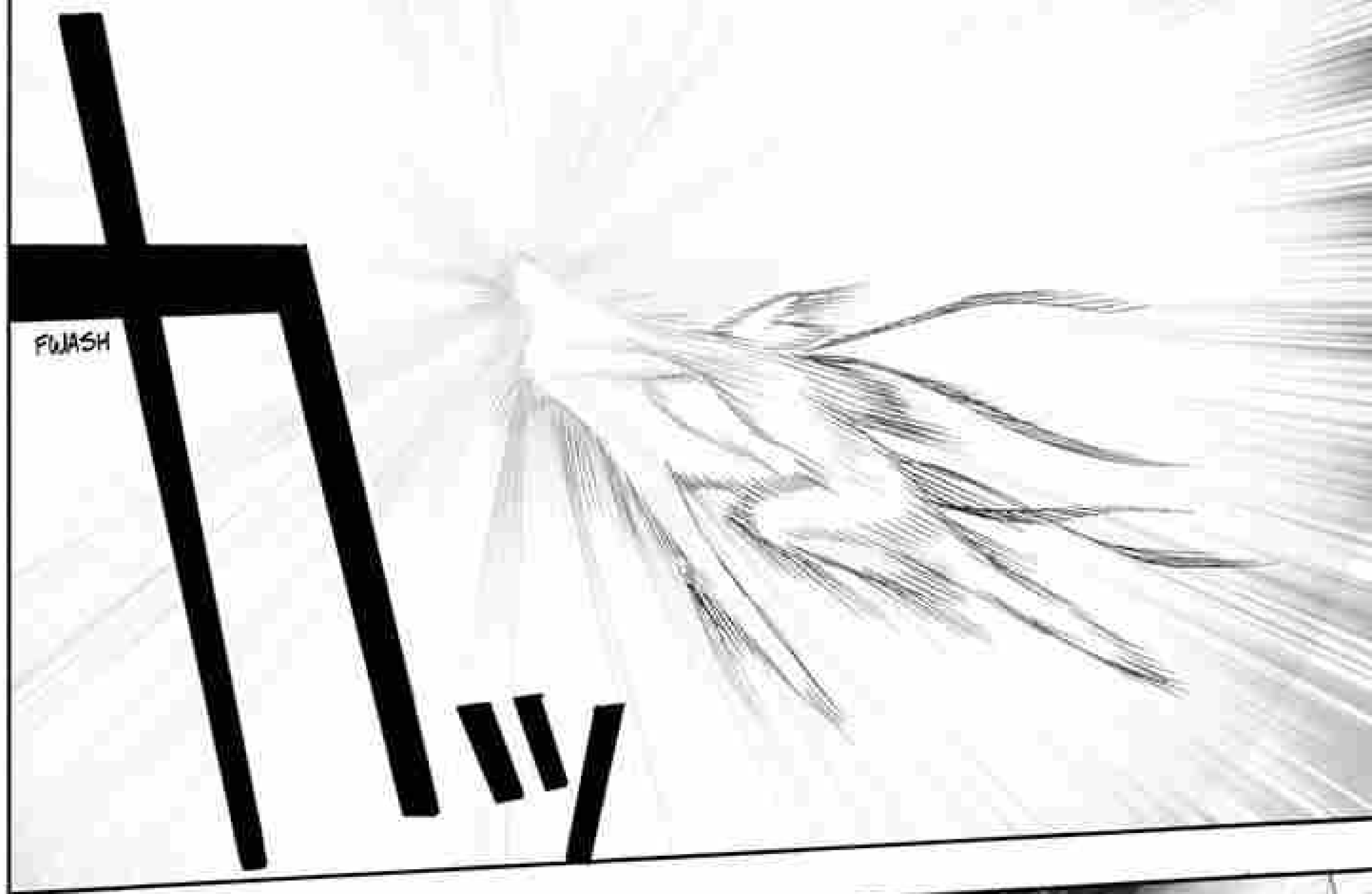
IS
THAT
...



!!









A black and white comic panel. In the center, a character is shown from behind, standing on a dark, cratered planet. The planet's surface is illuminated from the left, creating a bright, hazy glow. In the background, a large, detailed planet with swirling clouds and a prominent mountain range is visible. The entire scene is set against a starry space background. Two jagged speech bubbles are present: one in the upper left and one in the upper right.

I'M
BACK!

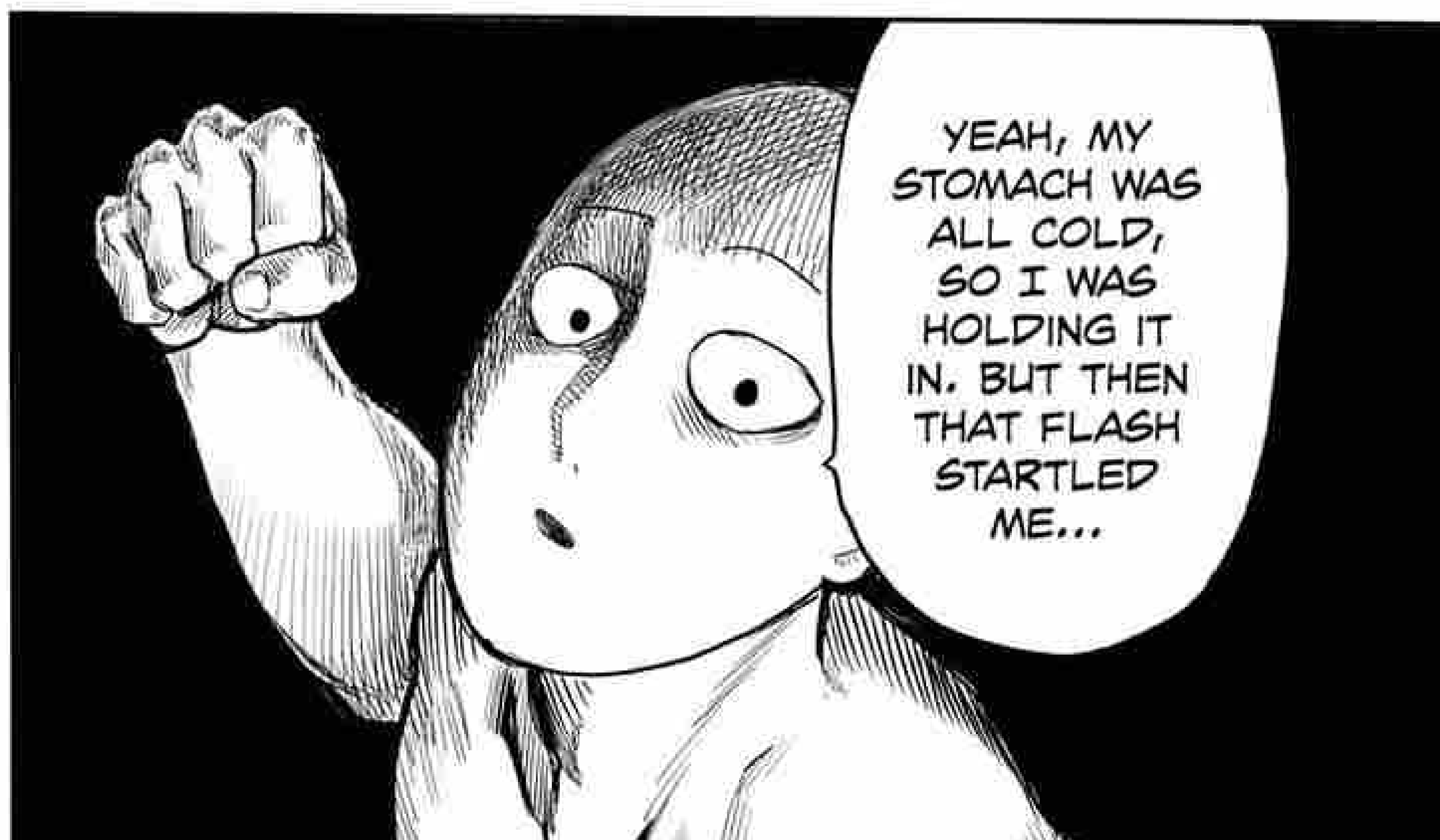
YES!
AWESOME!

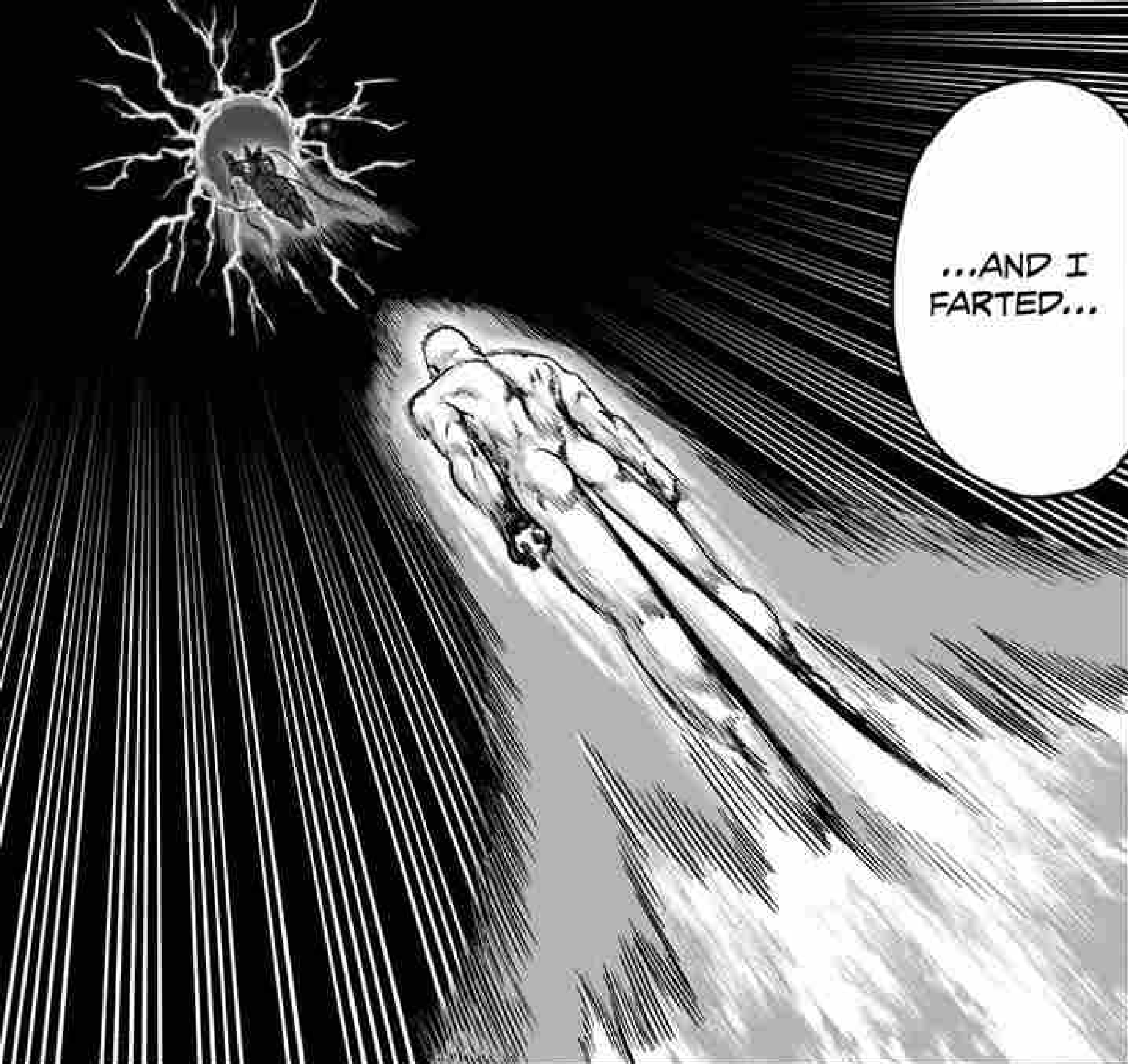
HA
HA
HA!
I
WIN
!!!



THAT
TECHNIQUE
SEEMS...

...KINDA
HANDY.



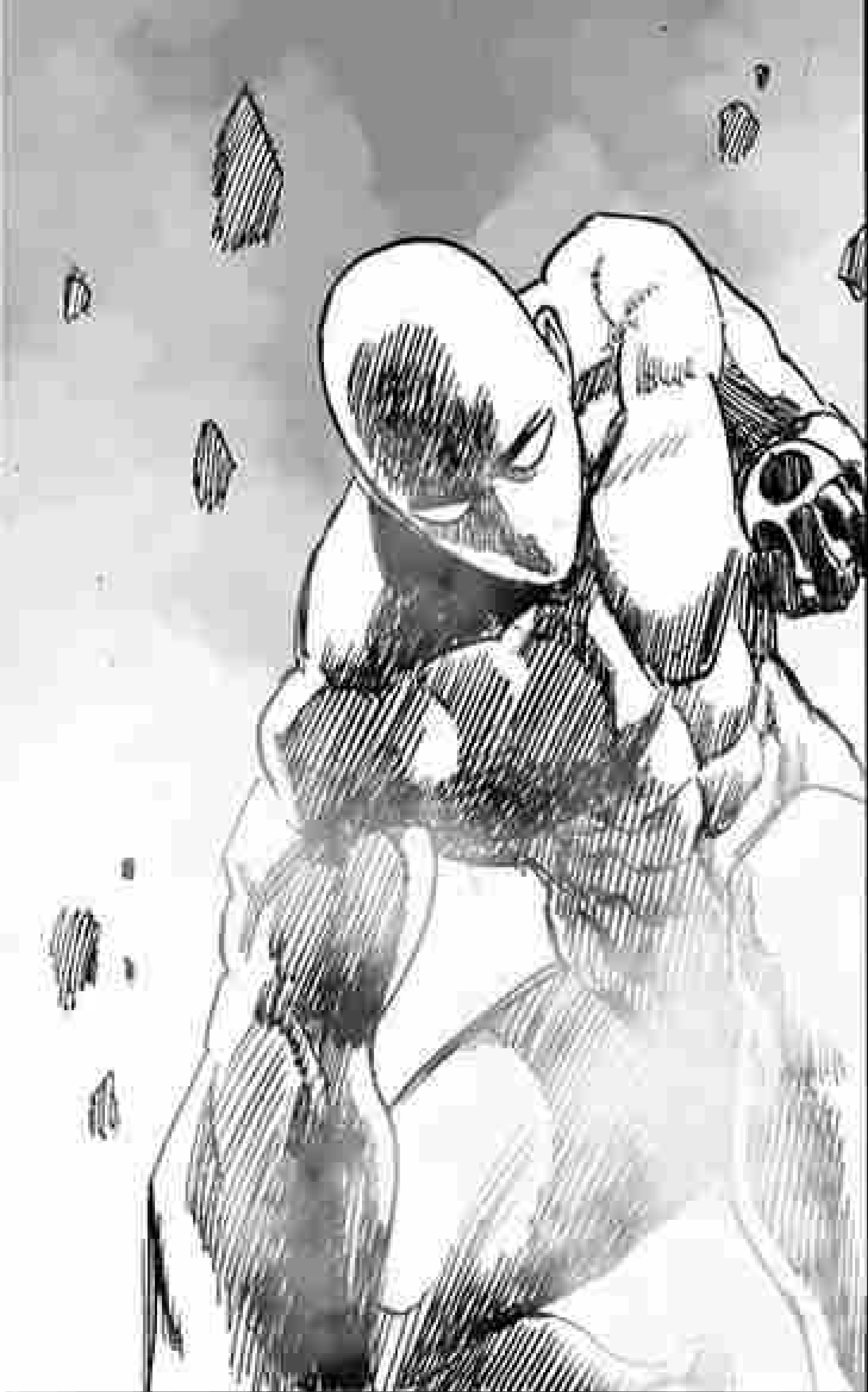


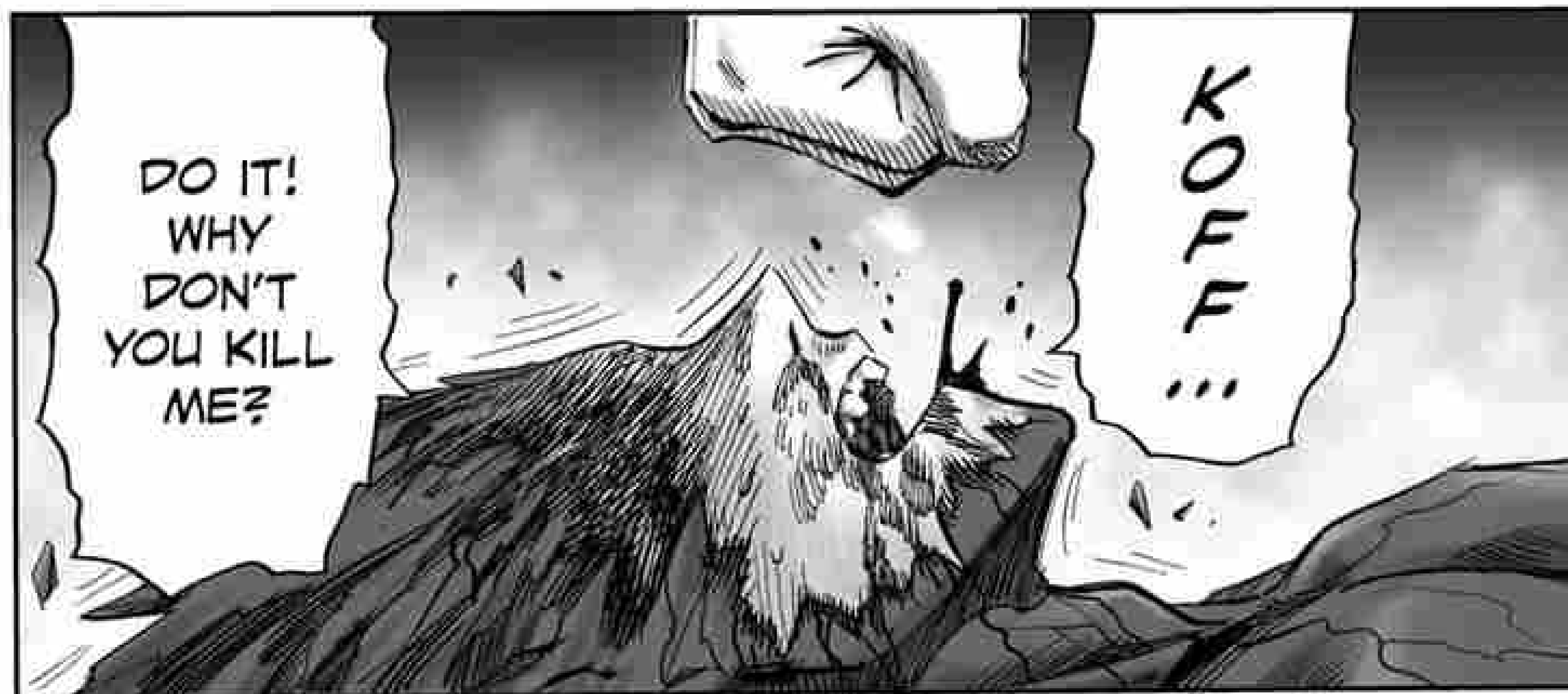
...AND I
FARTED...



...AND
INSTANTAN-
EOUSLY
CAUGHT
UP!









WITH
HIS LAST
WORDS,
THAT
BOY
BEGGED
ME TO
STOP
YOU.
NOT
KILL
YOU.

...I
AM A
HERO.



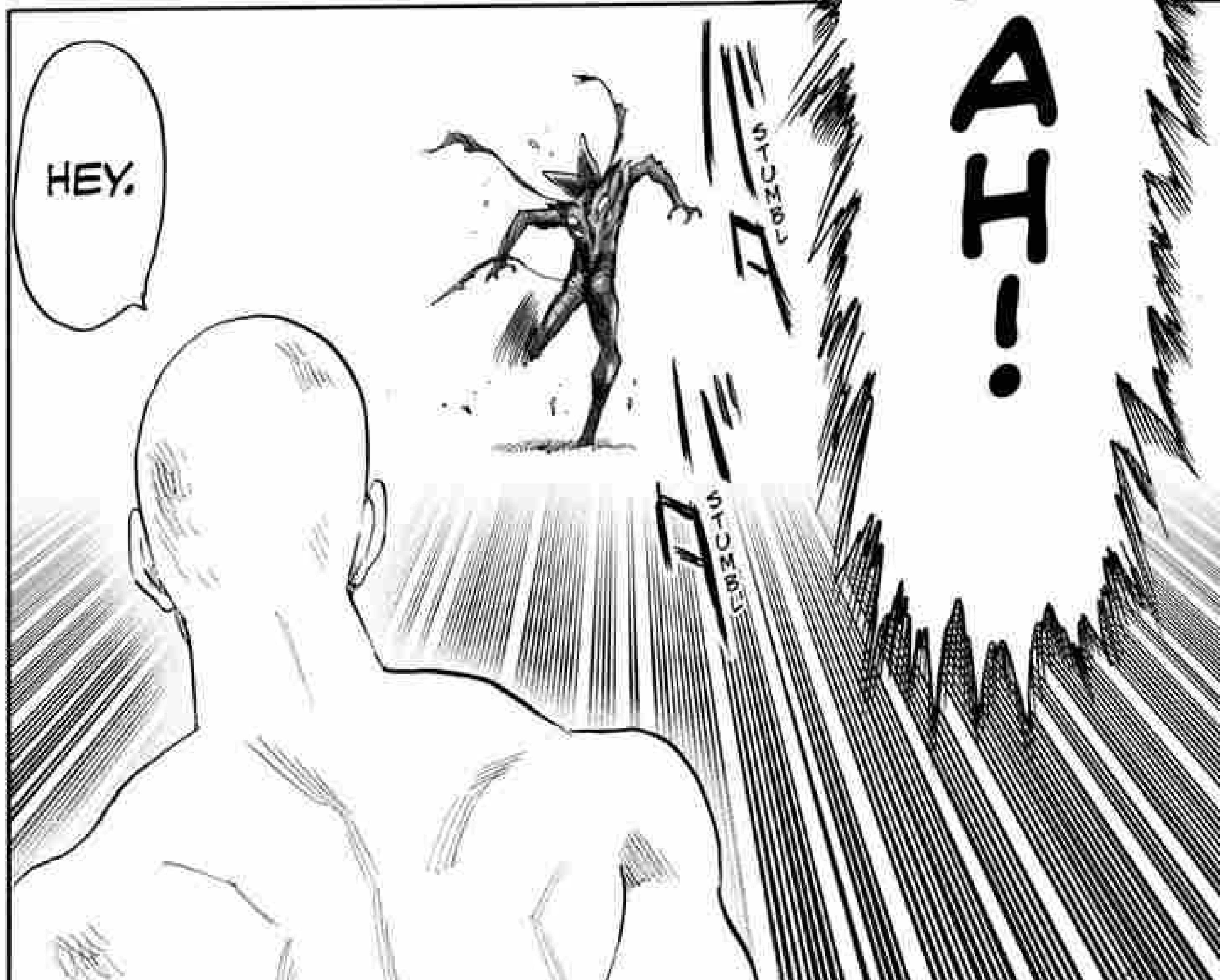
L-LAST
WORDS?







W
A
A
A
H!
!



AAAAAH!



THE
KID'S
THAT
WAY.

WHICH
WAY'RE
YOU
GOING?



IT'S
ALL MY
FAULT!

THIS
HAPPENED
BECAUSE
I WAS
WITH HIM!







I CAN'T BE
ABSOLUTE
EVIL IF I
DON'T BEAT
YOU.

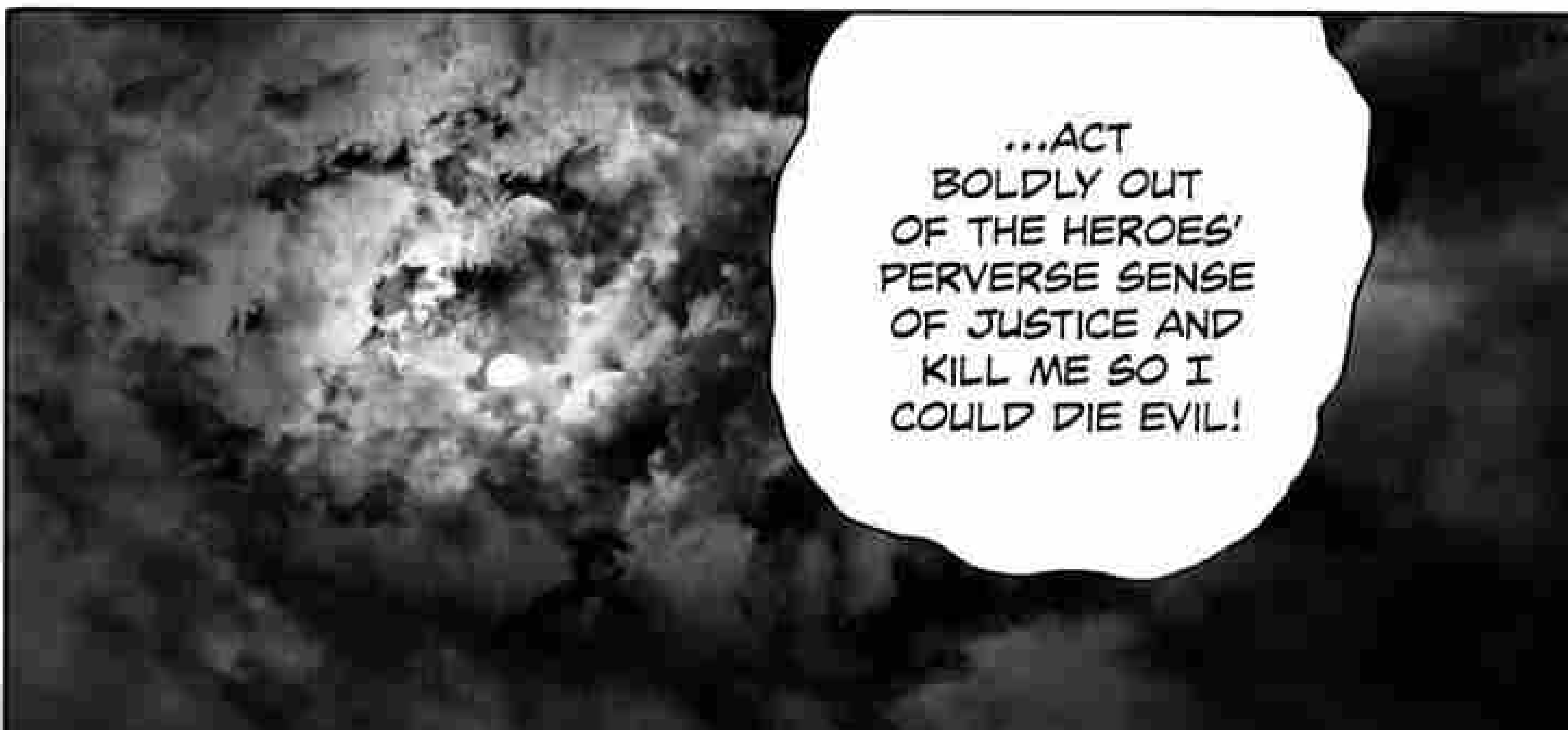
IT'S
FUNNY.

AND
THE
HERO
THAT
BEAT
ME...



I WISH YOU
WOULD AT
LEAST...

...SAYS
HE ISN'T
CUT OUT
TO BE A
HERO.



...ACT
BOLDLY OUT
OF THE HEROES'
PERVERSE SENSE
OF JUSTICE AND
KILL ME SO I
COULD DIE EVIL!





*DO
YOU
KNOW
THIS
PAIN
TOO?*

...





WHAT
WILL
YOU DO
NOW?



...

*NO ONE
WITH SUCH
POWER CAN
REMAIN
SANE.*



I HAVE
A FAVOR
TO ASK.



UH,
YES.

YOU
WANT ME
TO COPY
YOUR
COPYCAT
THINGY?

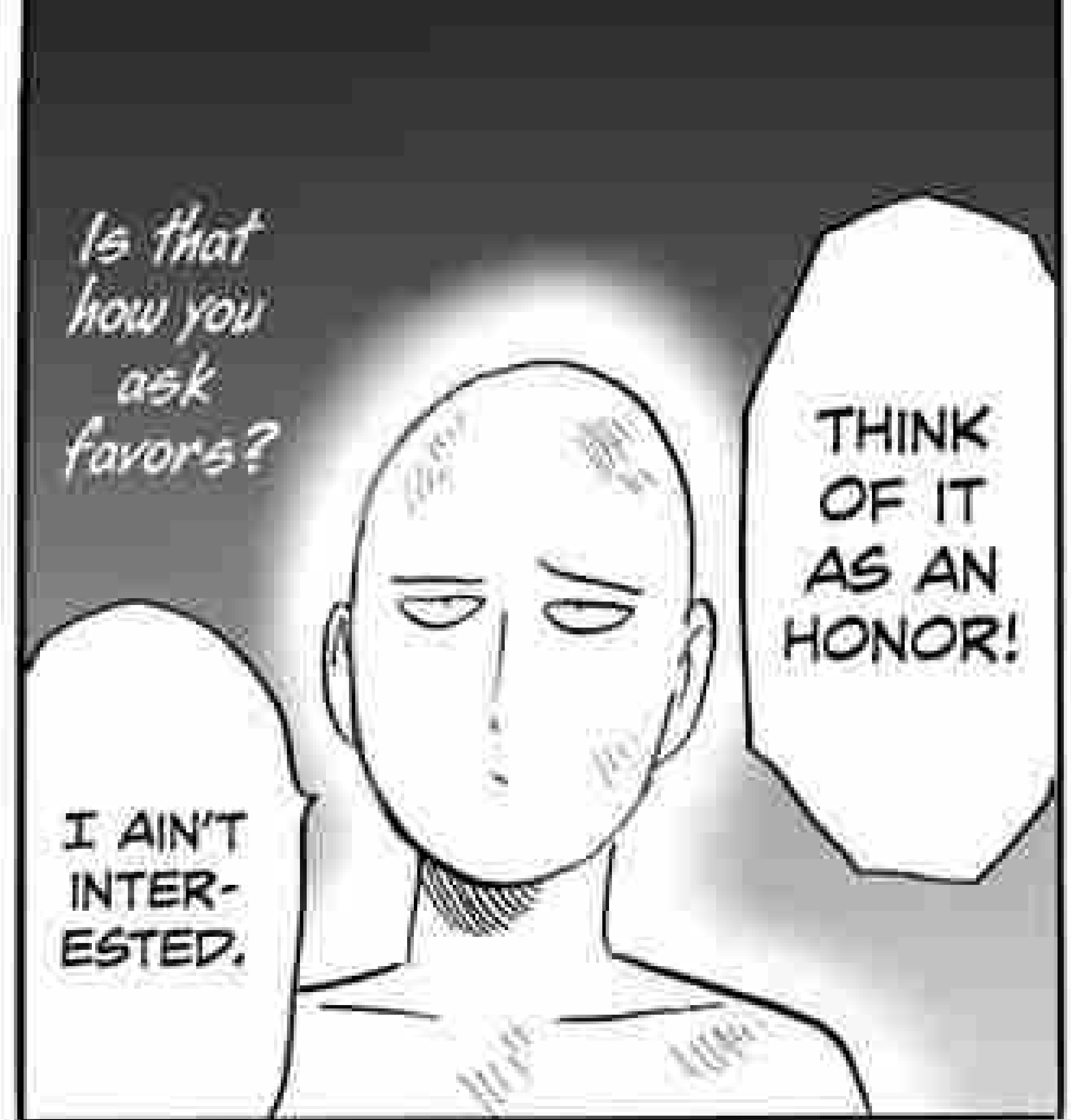


COPY?



EVEN WITH THE
POWER OF A GOD,
I COULD NOT
PERFECT MY OWN
ART'S FINAL,
HIGHEST, AND MOST
SECRET TECHNIQUE,
BUT NOW I WILL
PASS IT TO YOU.

YOU SHOULD
BE ABLE TO
DUPLICATE AND
SURPASS IT.

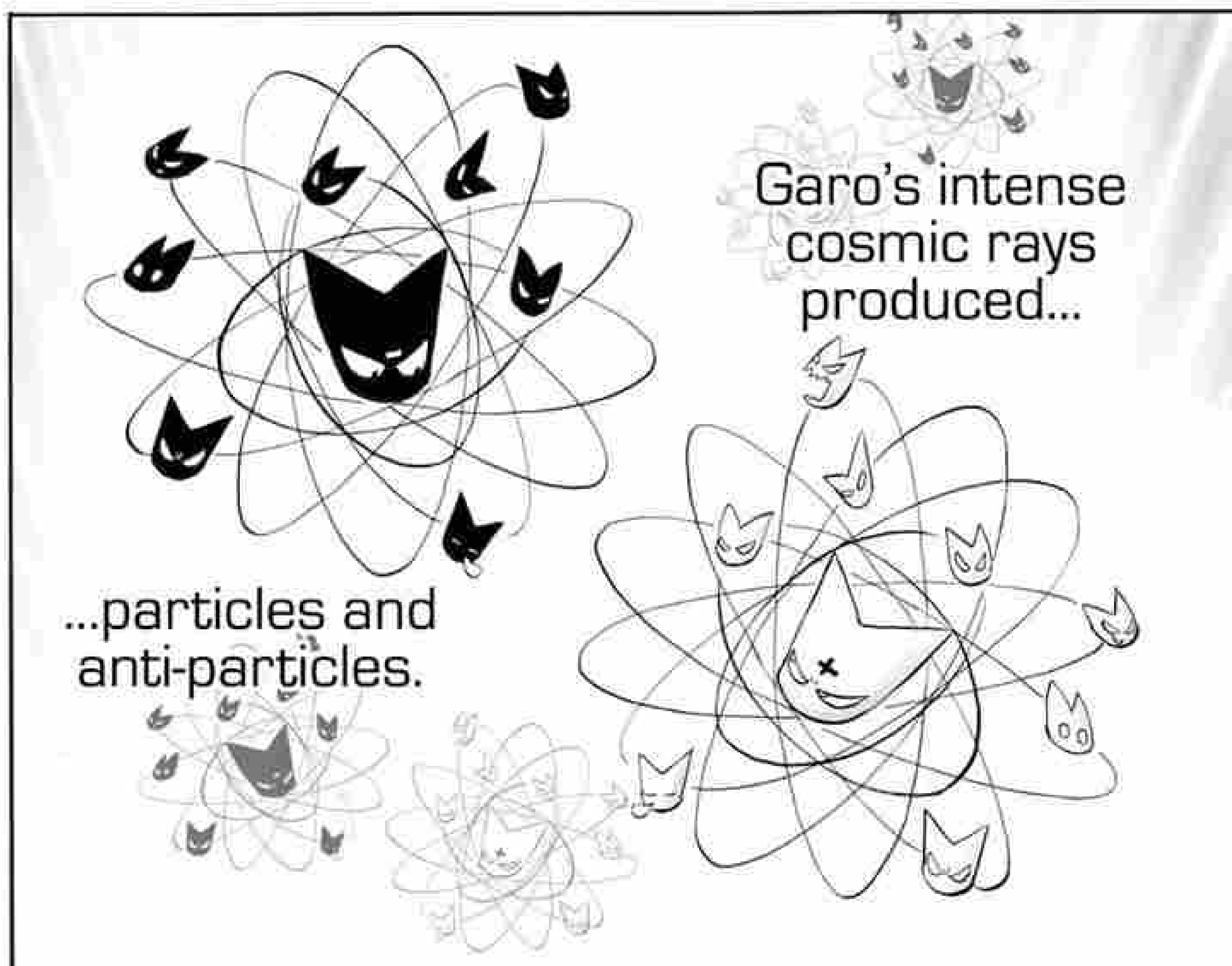
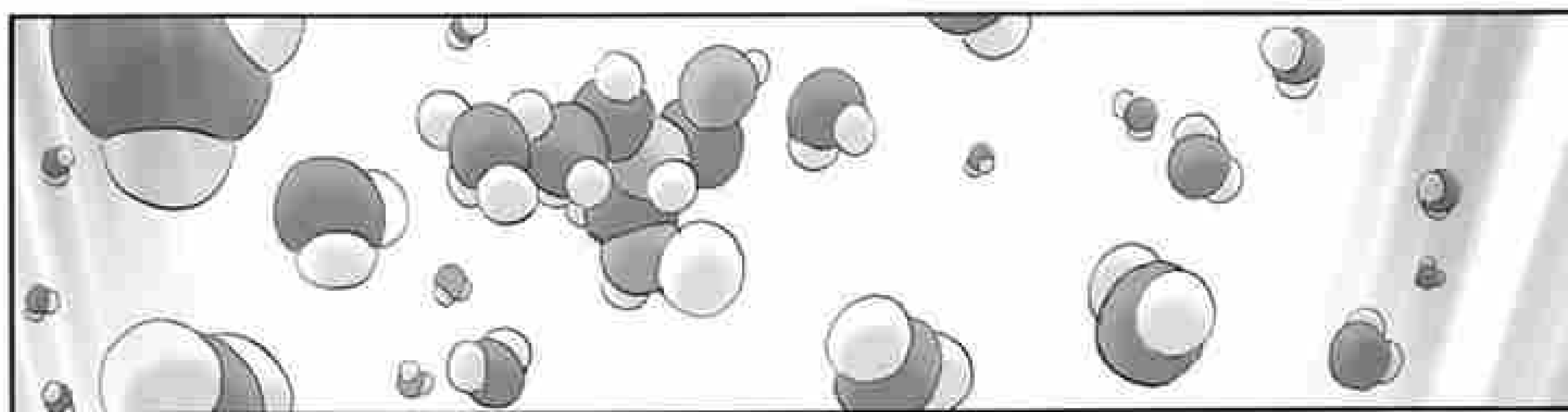
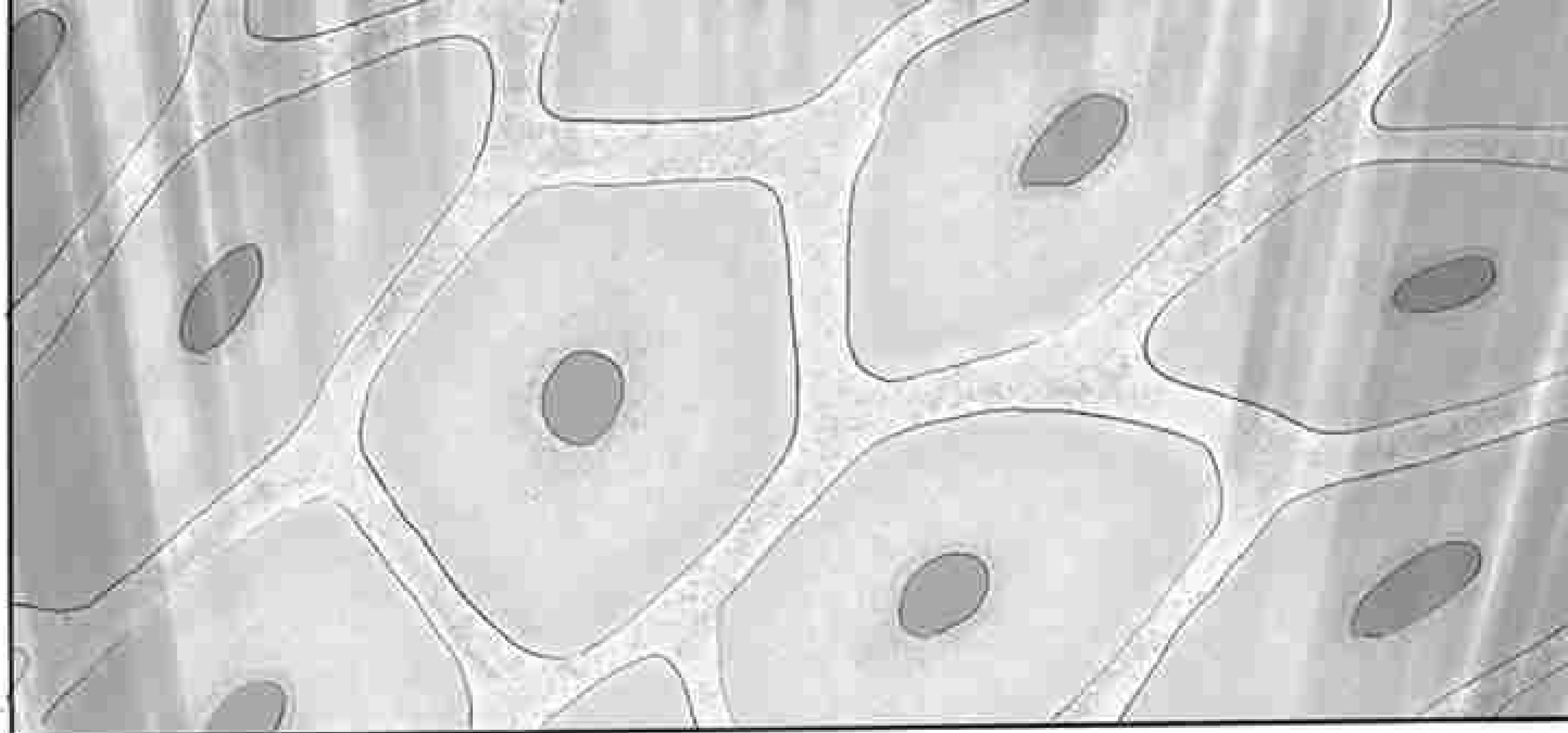


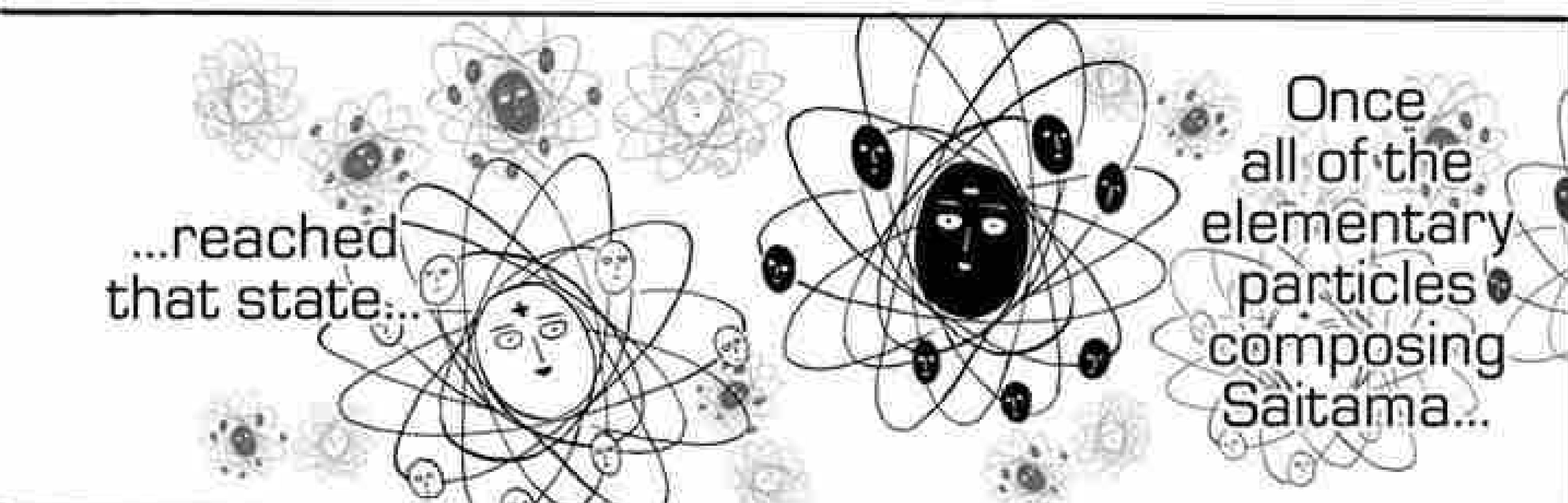
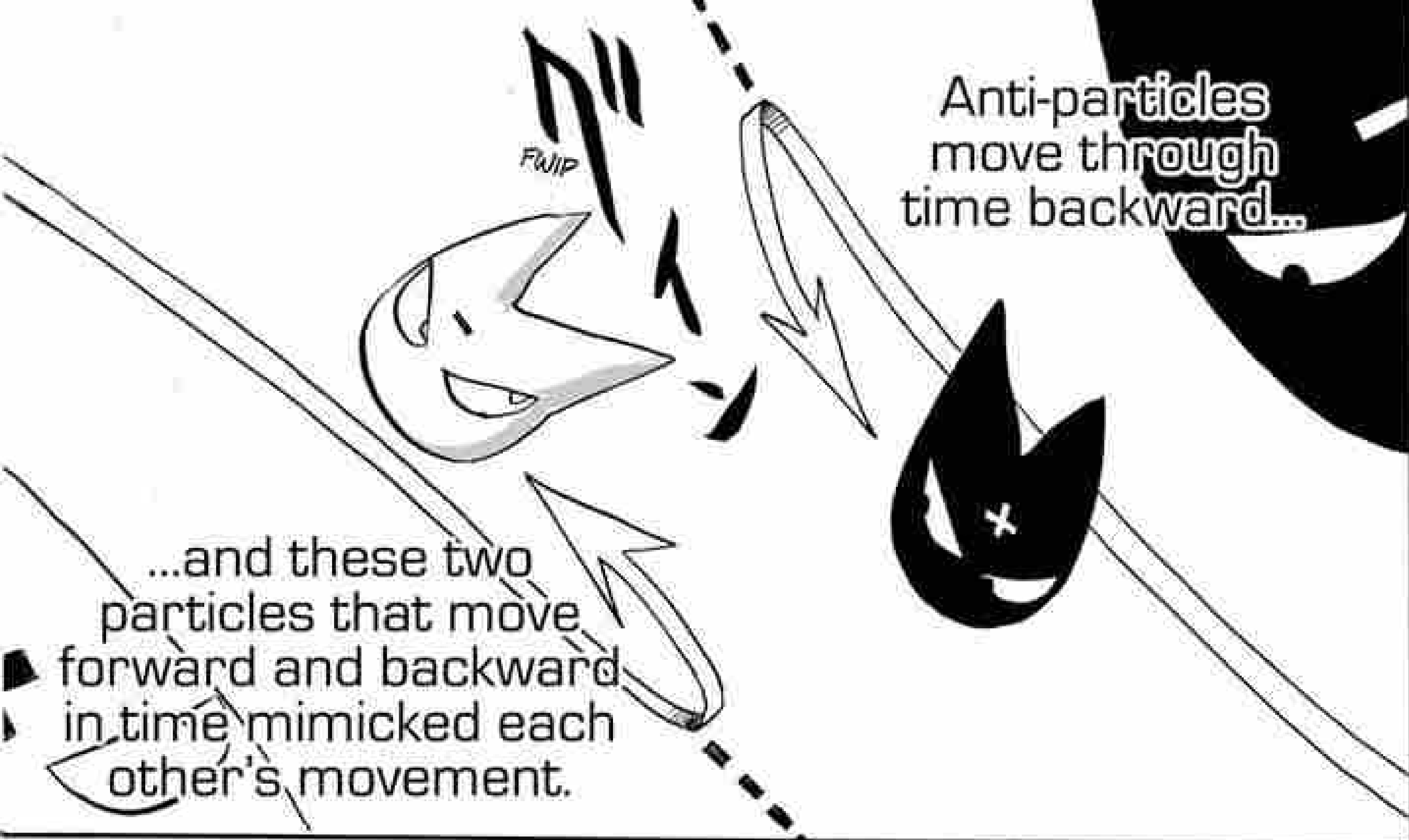


















WHO..

For
Saitama,
time
began
to flow
backward.



WHAT'S
HAPPENING?



...GARO!

HEY, YOUR
MARTIAL
ARTS ARE
AWESOME
...



***I AM
ABSOLUTE
EVIL!***

***...INTO A
SYMBOL
OF FEAR,
CASTING
LEGIONS
OF HEROES
INTO
DESPAIR?***

Normal
play-
back.

***HAVE I
FINALLY
TRANS-
FORMED***

...



...to land
before
release.

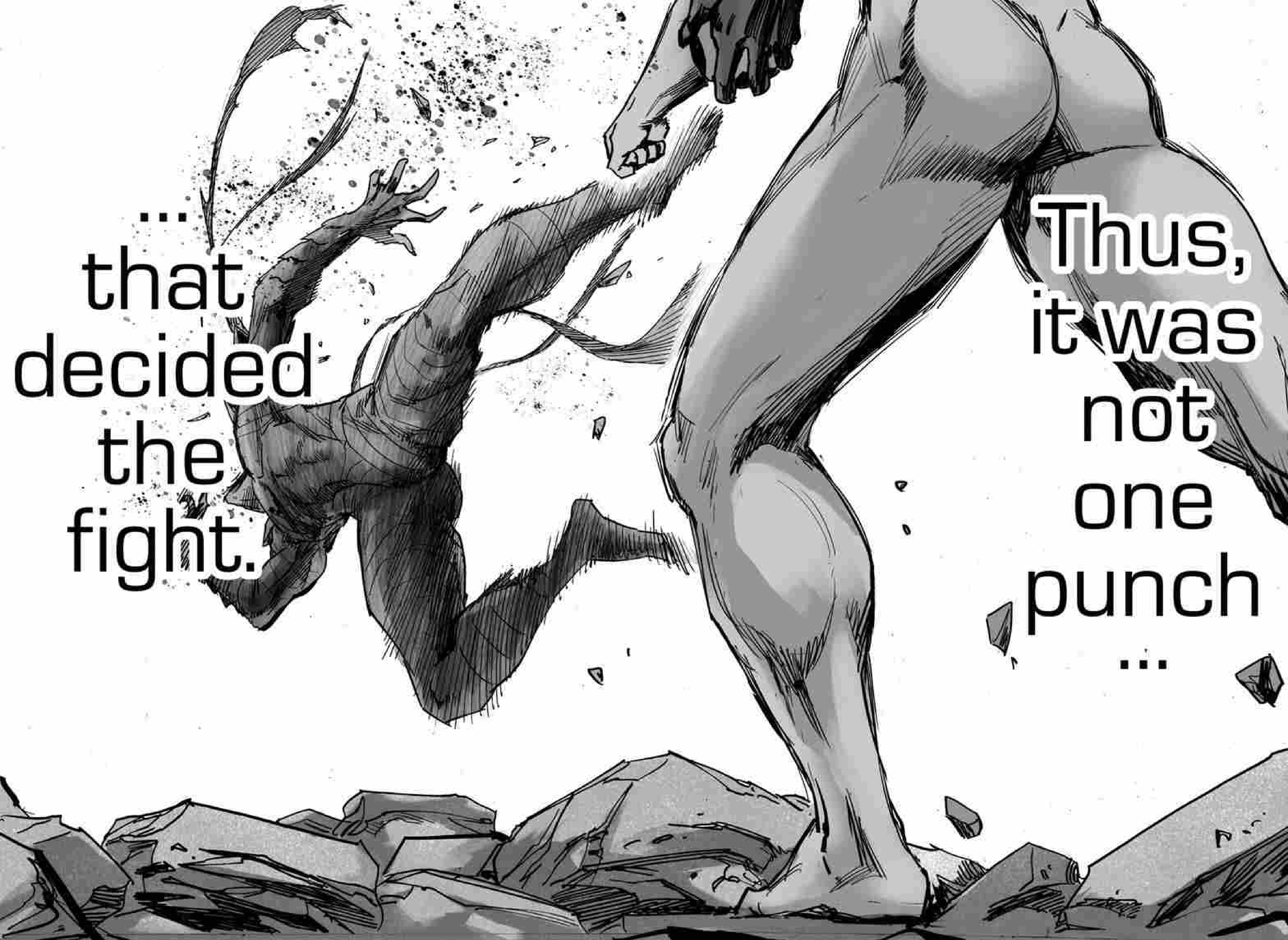
...and thus
could
reverse
time...

Saitama's
punch had
undergone
abnormal
development
on one of
Jupiter's
moons...



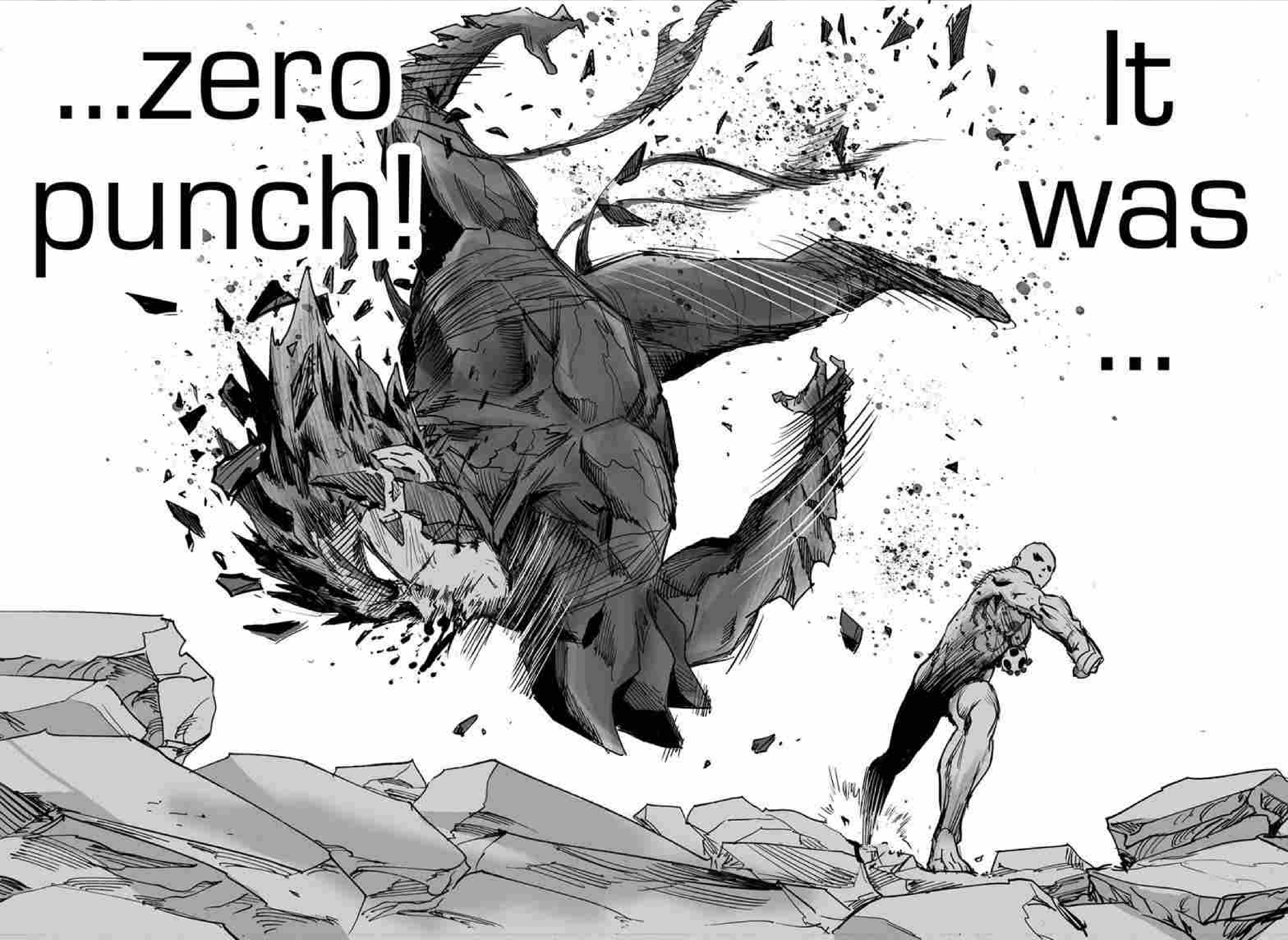
And reverse
causality...

...is impossible
to dodge.



...
that
decided
the
fight.

Thus,
it was
not
one
punch
...



...zero
punch!

It
was
...





THE
HERO
HUNTER
?!



G A R O !



A A A U G H !



WHAT
HAP-
PENED
?!

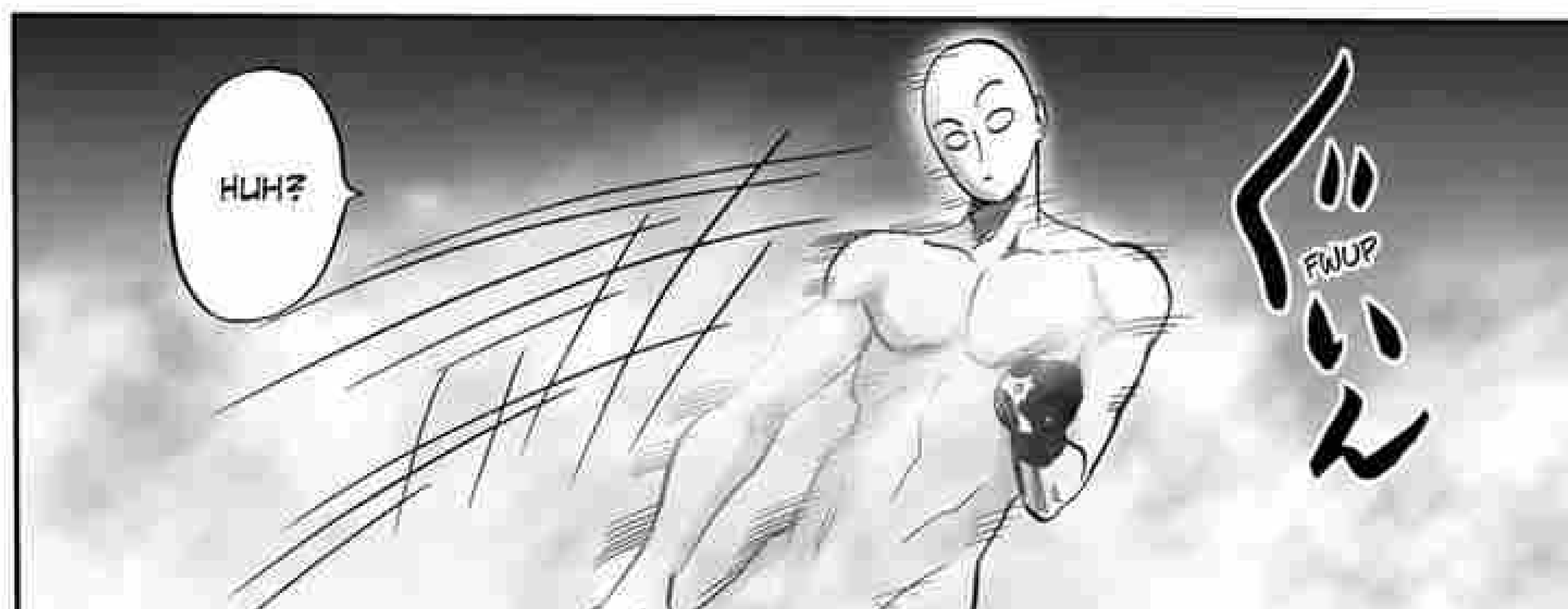
G U H ...



LEAKING
OUT!

...IS...

MY
POWER
...









SORRY!
I GOT
TOO
EXCITED!



To be continued!

